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GENEVA FOR USSALT II

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PARM, NATO, SALT, BE
SUBJECT: NON-CIRCUMVENTION

REF: STATE 112685

1. WE HAVE FURNISHED BELGIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY CHIEF OF NATO AFFAIRS, ERIK BAL, WITH A NON-PAPER CONTAINING THE POINTS MADE PARA 1, REFTEL. TO SUPPLEMENT THESE WE ALSO PROVIDED BAL WITH A TEXT OF THE TALKING POINTS CONTAINED IN STATE 83824, AS AUTHORIZED PARA 2 REFTEL.

2. BAL THANKED US FOR THE ATTENTION WASHINGTON HAD PAID TO THE GOB CONCERNS OVER THE U.S. INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT ON NON-CIRCUMVENTION
(BRUSSELS 7430). HE ASKED US TO REPORT THAT THE USG COULD FULLY COUNT ON COMPLETE BELGIAN SUPPORT ON THIS MATTER.

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3. COMMENT: WHILE BAL ASSURED US OF BELGIAN SUPPORT, HE PERSONALLY REMAINS CONCERNED, ON THE BASIS OF HIS LONG EXPERIENCE IN NEGOTIATING WITH SOVIETS, OVER POSSIBLE SOVIET SPLITTING TACTICS AIMED AT THE USG AND ITS ALLIES. HE TOLD US THAT THE GOB WOULD BE READY FOR SUCH A SOVIET PLOY IF IT WERE TRIED. OUR IMPRESSION WAS THAT BAL WAS MORE CONCERNED OVER THE POSSIBLE EFFECT OF SUCH

SOVIET TACTICS WITH OTHER (UNNAMED) ALLIES THAN WITH ANY PROBLEM
THE GOB MIGHT ENCOUNTER. CHAMBERS

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